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RE: **DOCKET NO. 352** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a proposed substation located at 264 Rood Avenue and 25 Shelley Avenue, Windsor, Connecticut.

Dear Attorneys Fitzgerald, Golden and Dubuque:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than February 1, 2008. To help expedite the Council's review, please file responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 20 copies to this office. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very ruly

S/Derek Phelps
Executive Director

c: Council Members

Parties and Intervenors

Robert E. Carberry, P.E., Manager of Transmission Siting and Permitting, NU

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Docket No. 352 CL&P Rood Avenue Substation Pre-Hearing Interrogatories, Set One

- 1. Estimate the amount of woodland clearing necessary to construct the substation.
- 2. Page G-7 of the Application describes the rejected option of upgrading the Bloomfield Substation. What would be the net capacity increase if three new transformers were installed as described?
- 3. Page G-8 of the Application describes the rejected option of upgrading the Windsor Locks Substation. Why would relocation of the existing yard be necessary? Describe the difficulties of installing new circuits to the relocated yard.
- 4. Page H-7 states portions of Wetland 3 have been filled. Does the substation footprint extend into any of these filled areas?
- 5. Would construction activities affect the coniferous forest inclusions? If so, approximately what percentage of each affected inclusion would be cleared?
- 6. What entity requested the relocation of the lady slipper population? Who identified the lady slipper population? Were other populations identified on site? What entity determined that suitable habitat is present at the relocation site? Is the lady slipper a state threatened, endangered, or special concern species?
- 7. How much of the sand dune community would be disturbed during construction? What type of disturbance would occur?
- 8. Are drawings available showing equipment placement and elevations? If so, please provide.
- 9. Have all certified mail return receipts been received from the property abutters listed in the Application? If not, provide a list of abutters who did not respond.
- 10. What type of resident feedback has CL&P received as a result of the October 3, 2007 notification letter? Was this letter sent only to abutters?
- 11. Would the proposed project increase magnetic fields at any abutting residence? If yes, please describe.